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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

BOYER et al.

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Group Art Unit: 1764

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Title: DEVICE FOR INJECTING A FLUID LOCATED BETWEEN TWO
SUCCESSIVE BEDS TO SIMULTANEOUSLY PRODUCE AND
DISTRIBUTE A POLYPHASE MIXTURE

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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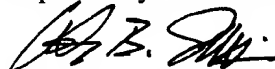
Sir:

In response to the Requirement for Restriction mailed September 27, 2004, Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1, 2 and 12 - 22, drawn to the device and reactor. The Requirement for Restriction is respectfully traversed, inasmuch as it is submitted that a complete search of the device and reactor, in class 422, subclass 194, will also necessitate a search of processes contained in class 28, subclasses 209, 264 or 254H. In such a situation where there is little, if any, additional effort upon the PTO to search the entirety of an invention, the M.P.E.P. mandates that such examination be made. See M.P.E.P. §803.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the Restriction Requirement is respectfully requested.

No fee is believed to be due with this response, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

Respectfully submitted,



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